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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

--3. (Amended) The ceramic heater according to Claim 1

wherein said ceramic substrate is at least one member selected from the group consisting of a nitride ceramic, a carbide ceramic and an oxide ceramic.

6. (Amended) The ceramic heater according to Claim 4

wherein said nitride ceramic board has the form of a disk having a diameter of more than 150 mm.

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